Dodd Probe Will Begin On June 20

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The Senate Ethics Committee announced yesterday it will begin hearings June 20 into charges of misconduct against Sen. Thomas J. Dodd (D-Conn.) over his relationship with an agent for West German business interests.

Sens. John C. Stennis (D-Miss.), Chairman, and Wallace F. Bennett (R-Utah), Vice Chairman of the Committee, said the initial hearings will be held in secret, with open hearings to follow.

In a brief announcement, they added the Committee is continuing its investigation of other allegations against Dodd. Among these have been charges that Dodd diverted campaign funds for his personal use.